

## AUCTION OF TIMBER IN TARIKERE TIMBER DEPOT

\*Q.—137. Sri KUNDUR RUDRAPPA (Chennagiri).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether it is a fact that timber in Tarikere Timber Depot was auctioned for Rs. 32,911—in July 1949.

(b) whether Government did not suffer a loss of Rs. 7,660 and interest Rs. 1,886—total Rs. 9,546—by resale of that timber.

(c) the action taken to recover the said amount from the defaulter?

A.—Sri K. F. PATIL (Minister for Forests and Transport).—

(a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) Revenue authorities have been addressed to recover the dues from the party as arrears of land revenue as per sale conditions and rules. Action is being pursued.

## DEATHS OCCURRED DUE TO FOOD POISONING AT BELGAUM.

\*Q.—201. Sri. V. S. PATIL (Belaum I).—

Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) whether they are aware that some cases of food poisoning had occurred at Belgaum recently;

(b) the number of persons died of it and the number of persons affected;

(c) whether Government have traced the origin or cause of the food poisoning;

(d) the steps they propose to take to prevent such occurrences;

(e) whether they are aware that the Police had sealed the wheat in one of the shops on the ground of suspecting it to be poisonous; if so with what result?

A.—Dr. K. K. HEGDE (Minister for Health).—

(a) Yes.

(b) Affected 91, died 9.

(c) No.

(d) (i) Press Conference has been held.

(ii) Press releases have been issued.

(iii) Circulars have been issued to District Health Officers, Presidents of Municipal Councils, Deputy Commissioners, etc.

- (iv) Rules have been proposed regulating mass feeding in fairs and festivals.
- (v) All the Departmental staff have been educating the public regarding food poisoning and how to avoid the same.
- (e) Yes. Wheat has been sealed. No poison was detected after chemical analysis.

### NOTICE OF MOTION OF NO-CONFIDENCE AGAINST THE MINISTRY.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Notices of no-confidence motions against the present Ministry have been received from the following members of the Legislative Assembly:

Sri B. K. Puttaramiah  
Sri J. B. Mallaradhya (3 notices)  
Sri B. Sham Sunder  
Sri C. J. Muckannappa  
Sri C. M. Arumugham  
Sri V. S. Patil  
Sri U. M. Madappa  
Sri J. Venkatappa

Out of these 8, I am inclined to put before the House the motion given notice of by Sri B. K. Puttaramiah because it is comprehensive and covers all the other motions and he has also been correct in asking for leave of the House to move the motion. According to rule 153, he has to ask for leave of the House. After that I will put it before the House.

†Sri B. K. PUTTARAMIAH (Channapatna).—Sir, I beg leave to move the no-confidence motion against the present Ministry in Mysore State headed by Sri B. D. Jatti, B.A., LL.B., for the following reasons;

“The Ministry have failed to tone up the administration at all levels to meet the growing demands of the State in several sectors of Governmental activity for securing efficiency in administration and quick despatch of work.

In the Constitution of many Committees set by the Government of Mysore, more than 90 per cent of the Members belong to the Ruling party, out of all proportion to the needs of the situation and in utter disregard of health democratic conventions.

The Ministry has failed to satisfactorily tackle the problems of unemployment and underemployment during the Second Five-Year plan

In the matter of industrialisation, the Government have been adopting a policy of discrimination against enterprising local